

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 501, CHAPTER 10, TITLE V OF THE CODE, RELATIVE TO MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, AND ENACT A SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That section 501, chapter 10, title V of the Code, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 501. The first Monday of March shall be the regular annual period for the election of municipal officers, and all officers whose election is provided for in this chapter, or may be provided for by ordinance, shall be elected on that day. The trustees or council of every municipal corporation shall direct the place or places for holding elections for municipal officers, and whenever the corporation is divided into wards or precincts, there shall be one such place in each ward and precinct, and any person who, at the time of any election of municipal officers, would be a qualified elector under the laws of the state for county officers, and shall have had an actual and bona fide residence in the ward or precinct in which he offers to vote for the sixty days last preceding the election, shall be deemed a qualified voter; and all elections shall in all respects be held and conducted in the manner prescribed by law in case of county elections.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Des Moines *Register* and Des Moines *Leader*, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.